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party was in the minority in Virginia, and he himself was without political ambition, and owing to his great wealth, without strong motive for exertion, he never sought high office, though a finished public speaker, and a man whose extraordinary talents were generally recognized. As the foremost citizen of his county and the Union candidate, he was elected a member of the Secession Convention. He was an active opponent of secession, but voted in favor of it when Lincoln issued his call for troops. He was considered to be one of the ablest debaters in the Convention. There are interesting references to him in the account of that body which Hon. John Goode, a member, wrote for the *Conservative Review*, March, 1900. Among the casual addresses of Mr. Bruce was one delivered before the students of Chapel Hill, N. C., at the Commencement of 1841; another, before the Alumni of the University of Virginia. Both are marked by vigorous thought, brilliant expression, and high literary finish. The Chapel Hill address was republished in 1898 by J. B. Chastain, Esq., of Baltimore, Md. Mr. Bruce resided at Berry Hill, Halifax county, Va., which had formerly been a part of the estate of the second Wm. Byrd, and afterwards of General Edward Carrington. The house which he erected is still standing, now the home of his son, Alexander Bruce, Esq., and is considered to be one of the finest models of the Colonial style in the South, if not in the United States. Among the other valuable contents of the house was an extraordinary quantity of silver of the finest designs. Even the basons, pitchers, &c., of the sleeping rooms were made of this material. Here Mr. Bruce lived, like the lord of an English manor, in the midst of hundreds of slaves and adherents of all kinds—a sort of feudal chief on his great landed estate and in his county—where he was equally feared and admired. He died in 1865, just before the close of the war. He said on his death bed that he "felt a grim satisfaction in leaving the world at that time, as he knew that nothing but ruin was in store for his class." Though originally a Union man, his contributions for the advancement of the cause of the Confederacy had amounted to at least fifty thousand dollars.

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A GENEALOGY OF THE HERNDON FAMILY.

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193. Eliz.^e Herndon (181-7-3-2-1), d. 1844, m. Brodie Strachan Hull bro. of Elizabeth Hull, who m. No. 191), d. 1827 Ch: 228. Jane Herndon, m. Dabney Minor (son of No. 189); their dau., Lucy Herndon, m. Belton Mickle and had ch. 229. John, m., 1st, Lucy Ann Meriwether, *d. s. p.*; m., 2d, Ann Crump; their ch: I. Susan Hart, m. Wm. Lea, ch; II.

Elizabeth Herndon, m. John Finley, ch; III. Brodie Strachan, unm. 230. Ann, m. Chas. Lewis Thomas, ch: I. Jane Herndon, m. Andrew Jackson; II. Margaret; III. Mary Walker, m. Edward Townes, ch; IV. Virginia, m. Lafayette Townes, ch; V. Elizabeth, m. John L. Welford, ch. 231. Elizabeth, m. Wm. Crump, ch: I. Brodie Strachan, m. Helen Louise Edmundson, ch; II. William, m. Anne Lennington Dickens; III. Edward Hull, m. Mary Nelms, ch; IV. John, unm.; V. James Moore, m. Caroline Hatch Smith, ch. 232. William, m. Mary Lewis Clayton, ch: I. Mosby; II. Lucy Minor, m. Emil Withers, ch; III. Edward; IV. Dabney Herndon; V. Clayton; VI. Mary Walker, m. John Donaldson Martin, ch; VII. Elizabeth Lewis, m. Rice T. Fant, ch; VIII. Arthur Clayton. 234. Dabney, unm. 235. Lucy, unm. 236. Edward Brodie, m. Ellen Clark, ch: I. Edward Brodie, m. Lizzie Chambers, ch.

184. John Minor Herndon⁵ (7-3-2-1), b. February 28, 1768; d. January 12, 1829, unm. In 1807 was a member of Spot. troop of cavalry; in 1816 appointed to have a map made of Spot.; in 1816 called "captain;" in 1823 one of a committee to organize a corps of junior volunteers; in 1825 secretary of a meeting of the citizens of Spot. to amend the constitution of the State; in 1828 secretary Internal Improvement of the State of Virginia Society; at first was a surveyor, but afterwards studied law, at which he became quite prominent.

185. Mary Herndon⁵ (7-3-2-1), b. May 4, 1770; was living in 1834; m. 1787 or 8, John Carter, d. 1815. John Carter's will, dated April 4, 1815, proved October 2, 1815, mentions wife, dau. "Polly," sons Joseph, John and James, friend John W. Herndon; witnessed by Robt. Cammack, Jacob W. Herndon and Edw. Frazer. Mary Carter (probably "Polly"), m., Sept. 24, 1830, Capt. Thos. M. Horn.

186. Lucy Herndon⁵, b. August 23, 1779; d. August 12, 1832; m., January 30, 1800, her cousin Dabney Minor of "Woodlawn," b. July 22, 1779; d. March 8, 1822. Ch: 237. Mary Ann, m. Garret Minor Meriwether—had: I. Lucy Ann, d. young; II. Lucy Ann, m. John Hull (No. 229) *d. s. p.*; III. Miles, m. Miss Smith; IV. Louisa M.; V. Robt. Dale; VI. Dabney Minor; VII. Minor, m. Miss Arcey, ch. 238. Ann M. Meriwether, m. Peter Scales, ch: I. Ellen, d. young; II. Mary, m. George N. Robinson, ch.; III. Joseph Watkins, m. Halla M. Barker, ch.; IV. Henry Minor, m. and had ch.; V. John Laidly; VI. Lucy Minor, m. — Humphrey; VII. Dabney Minor, m. and had ch. 239. James Lewis, d. unm. 240. Henry Laurens, m. Margaret Whiteley Herndon (No. 195). 241. Cordelia Lewis, m. Dr. Samuel H. Dabney and had: I. Cordelia, m. Dr. Gray. 242. Ellen, d. young. 243. Dabney, m. Jane Herndon Hull (No. 228). 244. John Mercer, d. young. 245. Francis, m. Virginia Louisa Minor.

191. Dabney Herndon⁵ (7-3-2-1), b. April 14, 1783; d. Fred., Dec. 20, 1824; m., November 17, 1806. Elizabeth Hull (dau. of John and Ann (Strachan) Hull), b. January 12, 1789; d. Fred., April 20, 1825. In

1805 he was a magistrate for the corporation of Fred.; in April, 1809, was employed at the Farmer's Bank; in August, 1812, was made cashier, which position he occupied until his death; was elected vestryman of St. George's, in 1809 and in 1812 attended the convention of the Church as its representative; in 1823 was treasurer of the Fred. Classical Academy. He and his noble wife, who soon followed him, left a large family of young children, yet not before they had firmly planted in their young minds so strong a belief in God that they could not but honor man and to serve their State and country when they came to years of discretion. Ch: 246. John M. 247. Brodie S. 248. Ann H. 249. Dabney, d. inf. 250. William L. 251. Mary Strachan, b. January 20, 1816, unm., lives Richmond, Va. 252. Dabney. 253. Charles.

246. John Minor Herndon,⁶ b. May 14, 1808; d. September 19, 1871; m., Fred., April 20, 1835, Margaretta Louisa Patton (dau. of — and — (Mercer) Patton), d. July 2, 1852, in 44th yr. of age. He was educated at the Univ. Va., and in 1830 began the practice of law in his native town; he and his cousin, Carter L. Stephenson, were on the committee of arrangements for the laying of the corner-stone of the Mary Washington monument, 1833; in 1836 he was a candidate to represent Spot. in the Gen'l Assembly; for many years commissioner of chancery; member of the city council; cashier of the Bank of Commerce; Secretary of the Commonwealth, 1865-7; Judge of the Corporation Court and Judge of the Hustings Court of Fred. Ch: 254. Ellen Mercer. 255. Nannie Gordon, b. Sept. 11, 1838; d. August 1, 1862, unm. 256. Elizabeth Fairlie, b. November 4, 1840, d. January 3, 1892, unm.

254. Ellen Mercer Herndon,⁷ b. April 29, 1836; d. January 29, 1888; m., April 19, 1855, Seth Barton French, then of Fred., now of N. Y. city. Ch: 257. Margaret Patton, b. July 25, 1857; d. November —, 1879. 258. Dr. John Herndon, lives N. Y. city, b. August 8, 1859; m., November 14, 1888, Sarah Ann Spies Cochrane (dau. John W. and Hilah M. (Spies) Cochrane). Ch: I. Seth Barton, b. August 17, 1889; II. Hilah Cochrane, b. January 28, 1891; III. Ellen Mercer, b. March 8, 1896; IV. John Herndon, b. February 26, 1898. 259. Seth Barton, b. August 22, 1862; d. September 1, 1862. 260. George Barton, lives Chicago; b. February 12, 1864; m., 1886, Adele Lecher (dau. Stephen); div. March, 1896; ch: I. Adele Gordon, d. August 17, 1894. 261. Nannie Gordon, b. March 25, 1866; m. Charles Steele (son J. Nevett Steele), lives N. Y. city; ch: I. Eleanor, b. July 12, 1891; II. Nancy Gordon, b. October 11, 1894; III. Katherine Nevett, b. March 1, 1896.

247. Dr. Brodie Strachan Herndon,⁸ b., Fred., July 7, 1810, d. Washington, S. C., August 7, 1886. He was a physician in Fred. until the breaking out of the war, when he was appointed chief surgeon of the hospitals in Richmond. After the war he returned to his native town, where he remained until 1868, when he removed to Savannah, Ga. He was a vestryman of St. George's, 1847-65, being the fifth generation to

hold that office. He was the first to perform the Cæsarean operation in this country. On Nov. 25, 1830, he m. Lucy Ellen Hansbrough (dau. Joseph and Sarah (Myers) Hansbrough, of Culpeper), b. June 6, 1813; d. Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1880. Ch: 262. Dabney (twin). 263. James C. (unm). 264. Brodie S. 265. Sarah P. 266. Elizabeth H. 267. Lucy. 268. Ann M. 269. Mary E. 270. Margaret, b. Fred., Dec. 25; 1844, d. Jan. 2, 1845.

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SOME OTHER MINORS IN VIRGINIA.

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Thomas Minor's children, as shown by his will, were John; Agatha, who married Mordecai Redd, who removed to Kentucky, and some of them to Missouri; Lucy, who married James Crane (unknown); Clara, who married Hubbard Taylor, and went with him to Kentucky; Owen; Thomas; Ann and Elizabeth, one of whom married a Tutt.

Thomas Minor, Jr., was born in 1751, and died July 21, 1834, in his eighty-third year. He served through the whole of the War of the Revolution, commencing, in 1775, as second lieutenant in the 5th Virginia regiment, and ending as captain and aide of General Edward Stevens, at the siege of Yorktown, in 1781.

In 1781, he married Elizabeth Taylor, daughter of Colonel James Taylor, of Midway, Caroline county. This James Taylor (there were six of them in direct line), was an ensign in the French and Indian War, in 1758; was an associate, in the House of Burgesses, of his kinsman, Edmund Pendleton; was chairman of the Committee of Safety of Caroline county, and lieutenant of that county; was a member of the conventions of 1775 and 1776; was the first senator of Caroline and Hanover under the State Constitution, and was a member of the convention of 1788, which ratified the Constitution of the United States. He was a kinsman of Presidents James Madison and Zachary Taylor.

Thomas Minor and his wife, Elizabeth Taylor, had five sons and seven daughters. Two sons, John and Thomas, died unmarried. Three, James, Hubbard Taylor, and Jefferson, married, and have left descendants. One daughter, Alice Thomas, remained single. All the rest married, and with the exception of Mrs. Ann Maria Scott, of Bowling Green, Caroline county, removed to Kentucky and Missouri. One of the sons and three of the daughters lived to be octogenarians. Mrs. Minor survived her husband several years. There is further information of these Minors in Dr. Lyon G. Tyler's *Wm. and Mary Quarterly*, Vol. VIII, p. 247; Vol. IX, p. 55.